AN ORDINANCE 99028

APPROVING A CONTRACT, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$308,613.71 **ELECTION** SERVICES, WITH **BEXAR** COUNTY FOR **COUNTY ELECTIONS** THROUGH THE BEXAR ADMINISTRATOR. AUTHORIZING THE BEXAR COUNTY ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR TO OFFICIALLY CONDUCT THE SATURDAY, MAY 15, 2004 JOINT SPECIAL ELECTION; APPOINTING ELECTION OFFICERS FOR THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO FOR SAID JOINT SPECIAL ELECTION: AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT FOR THESE SERVICES.

WHEREAS, the City of San Antonio has called an election for Saturday, May 15, 2004, for the purpose of amending the City Charter of the City of San Antonio; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Antonio has historically contracted with the Bexar County Elections Administrator to conduct its municipal elections; and

WHEREAS, it is now necessary to authorize a contract in accordance with Section 31.092 of the Texas Election Code, whereby the Bexar County Elections Administrator will provide election services to the City in connection with the Saturday, May 15, 2004 Joint Special Election; NOW THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. The City Manager, or her designee, is hereby authorized to execute a contract with Bexar County through the Bexar County Elections Administrator for conducting the Joint Special Election on Saturday, May 15, 2004. The contract shall be in substantially the same form and content as that attached as **Exhibit A** and is incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2. Funds are authorized to be encumbered in Fiscal Year 2003-2004, contingent upon budget appropriations, in Fund 11-000000 (General Fund), in Index Code 545178 (Fees to Governmental Contractors), in the estimated amount of \$308,613.71 and are authorized to be payable to Bexar County for election services in connection with the Saturday, May 15, 2004 Joint Special Election.

SECTION 3. The Director of Finance may, subject to concurrence by the City Manager, or her designee, correct allocation to specific Index Codes and Fund Numbers, as necessary to carry out the purpose of this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. Payment in the sum of \$154,306.86 on or before March 22, 2004, and \$154,306.86 on or before April 19, 2004, as the City's share of the cost of the election

under the above agreement is hereby authorized. Bexar County shall refund to the City any and all City of San Antonio funds remaining after the payment of all election costs.

SECTION 5. The Bexar County Elections Administrator is hereby authorized to appoint election officials to serve as judges and clerks for early voting and election day, members of the Early Voting Ballot Board, Signature Verification Committee and Central Counting Station, in connection with the Joint Special Election to be held on Saturday, May 15, 2004.

SECTION 6. The City of San Antonio will be responsible for publishing notice of the City's election and for canvassing the City's election returns for the Joint Special Election to be held on Saturday, May 15, 2004.

SECTION 7. Electors may cast their early vote by mail, and the early voting clerk's mailing address to which ballot application requests and ballots voted by mail shall be sent to, is as follows:

Cliff R. Borofsky
Bexar County Elections Administrator
203 W. Nueva 3.61
San Antonio, Texas 78207
Attention: Early Voting Clerk

SECTION 8. This ordinance shall be effective on and after the tenth day from passage hereof.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 1st day of April, 2004.

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